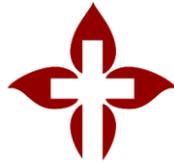


Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 26, 2019
Nine O'clock

*As you enter this holy space and begin to make the transition from "getting here" to "being here,"
you are encouraged to use these moments to become aware of the quiet places within
so that you are ready to worship God. Please silence your cell phones.
Come, let us worship God.*



Entrance and Praise

Greeting in the Name of Christ

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Voluntary

God of the Ages

David Schak

Call to Worship

Marilyn Armstrong

May God be gracious to us and bless us, and make God's face to shine upon us,
that God's way may be known upon earth, God's saving power among all nations.

Let all the people praise God; let all the people sing praise!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for God judges the peoples with equity
and guides the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise God; let all the people sing praise!

from Call to Worship

* Entrance Hymn No. 698

God of the Ages

NATIONAL HYMN

Confession and Pardon

Marilyn Armstrong

The Spirit of God helps us in our weakness,
interceding with sighs too deep for words. *Romans 8:26*

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

God of mercy, hear our prayers.

**We want to be generous like your servant Lydia,
but we fear that we will not have enough.**

**We want to be transformed like your servant Paul,
but we worry that we are beyond your grace.**

**We want to be loving like our savior Jesus,
but we wonder whether we are good enough for your call.**

God of mercy, forgive our sins.

God of mercy, hear our prayers.

Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.
Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. *Acts 2:17, 21*

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Thanks be to God.

Proclamation and Response

Solo

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

John B. Dykes

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* **Hymn** (*back page*)

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

First Reading

Acts 16:9-15

Marilyn Armstrong

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-10, 22-22:5

Marilyn Armstrong

Hymn No. 723

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

Please rise in body or spirit when indicated.

Stanza 1 – soloist

Please rise in body or spirit.

Stanza 2 – all

Stanza 3 – men and boys

Stanza 4 – all

* **Gospel Reading**

John 14:23-29

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

A Peace Like No Other

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* **Affirmation No. 887**

Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39

This affirmation is No. 887 in the hymnal.

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts *Shall We Gather at the River*

Charles Callahan

* **Doxology**

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sending Forth

* **Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* **Hymn of Discipleship No. 706**

Soon and Very Soon

VERY SOON

* **Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* *Please rise in body or spirit.*

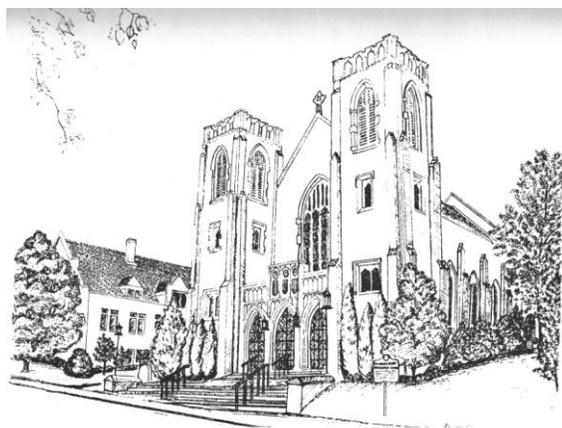
*Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**.*

*Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery, Lead Pastor
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Chuck Huber, Bass-Baritone
Marilyn Armstrong, Lay Reader*

*The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Carolyn Kennedy Dominy,
the 2019 Quiet Disciple, by the Flower Guild.*

Celebrate the Day of Pentecost (June 9)!

Please plan to wear red on June 9, the Day of Pentecost. We'll celebrate the Holy Spirit's descending on the disciples 10 days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection. The color red reminds us, "They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them" (Acts 2:3). Please plan to worship at Mulberry Street UMC (or another church if you're traveling) on June 9.



Welcome to Mulberry

Thank you for worshiping with us today! We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in Mulberry's worship and our opportunities for growing through education, fellowship, and mission. We hope you find our congregation to be a warm and caring community.

Please sign the Attendance Register as it is passed.

Nursery Care is available for children younger than age 4. Please ask an usher for directions.

To keep up with Mulberry Street UMC's events, services, and more, we invite you to visit us at www.mulberrymethodist.org and find us on Facebook.

Please speak to one of the pastors if you are interested in knowing more about membership at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.

Our 11:00 am worship service is broadcast live over radio station AM 940 WMAC. You can download the Sunday bulletin at <https://mulberrymethodist.org/media>.